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## EPA Brownfields Supplemental Assistance

Glen Cove, NY

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Quick Reference Fact Sheet

**EPA's** Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Initiative is designed to empower states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic redevelopment to work together in a timely manner to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield is a site, or portion thereof, that has actual or perceived contamination and an active potential for redevelopment or reuse. EPA is funding: assessment demonstration pilot programs (each funded up to \$200,000 over two years), to assess brownfields sites and to test cleanup and redevelopment models; job training pilot programs (each funded up to \$200,000 over two years), to provide training for residents of communities affected by brownfields to facilitate cleanup of brownfields sites and prepare trainees for future employment in the environmental field; and, cleanup revolving loan fund programs (each funded up to \$500,000 over five years) to capitalize loan funds to make loans for the environmental cleanup of brownfields. These pilot programs are intended to provide EPA, states, tribes, municipalities, and communities with useful information and strategies as they continue to seek new methods to promote a unified approach to site assessment, environmental cleanup, and redevelopment.

## **BACKGROUND**

EPA awarded the City of Glen Cove supplemental assistance for its Brownfields Assessment Demonstration Pilot. Glen Cove is located on the north shore of Long Island, adjacent to Hempstead Harbor and the Long Island Sound. The Glen Cove Creek area is home to a variety of industries, including marinas, recreation, light manufacturing, and public services, but also contains more than 70 acres of vacant land. The City has ten miles of waterfront, of which nearly nine miles have remained historically pristine. The remaining 1.1 mile federal navigation channel in the Glen Cove Creek area has adversely affected the economy and tax base of the City. Contaminants include radioactive wastes, methane, and organic solvents.

The New York Department of State's Long Island Sound Coastal Management Program (CMP) designated Glen Cove as one of three areas along the entire 314 mile Long Island Sound coastline, where concentrated waterfront redevelopment should occur. The City's waterfront Revitalization Plan will redevelop 214 acres of environmentally challenged and underutilized properties in the Waterfront District. Of these 214 acres, 146 are brownfields, the remainder are state and federal Superfund sites.



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Date of Announcement: March 2000

Amount: \$100,000 Greenspace: \$50,000

Profile: This Pilot continues to target the Glen Cove Creek area with assessments for the Doxey and Gladsky properties and greenspace preparation work for the "dog-leg" area at the head of Glen Cove Creek and Pratt Park.

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For further information, including specific Pilot contacts, additional Pilot information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at:

http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/

This Pilot will specifically assess two properties in this area: the Doxey and Gladsky properties. The Doxey property has been used as a salvage operation and waste transfer station. Early assessments have found above ground oil storage tanks, 25 drums with unidentified contents, areas of stained soils, several reported spills and debris. The Gladsky property is a two-acre parcel used as a marine salvage yard and transfer station. Early assessments of this property found asbestos buried on site, areas of chemical storage, and remnants of prior use of the property as a concrete and sand and gravel facility. Further assessments are needed to determine cleanup procedures for the continuation of the Revitalization Plan for this area of the City.

## **OBJECTIVES AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

Glen Cove's Revitalization Plan seeks to maintain clean, water-compatible commercial and industrial uses, preventing the creation of additional brownfields in the area. The Pilot will use supplemental assistance for environmental assessment of brownfield properties in the Waterfront Revitalization area around Glen Cove. The city hopes to expand the current activities of its Revitalization Plan to conduct investigations and assessments at additional properties in the Waterfront Revitalization area.

The Pilot will use the greenspace funding to target waterfront properties that are included in the city's Waterfront Revitalization Plan, which seeks to create and/or restore city-owned parks and open space. The funds will develop additional open space within specific areas of the Waterfront District such as the dogleg area at the head of Glen Cove Creek and Pratt Park, which includes Mill Pond. Renovation of these areas would form a green "gateway" to the Waterfront District while connecting this area to the adjacent downtown business district.

To accomplish these objectives, the Pilot plans to:

- Select the sites for Phase I assessments;
- Continue phase I,II, and III investigations of the selected properties;
- Conduct Phase I, II, and III investigations of the selected properties; and
- Continue to facilitate community outreach through meetings of both the Brownfields Citizen Advisory Committee (BCAC) and the newly created Waterfront Advisory Committee.

The cooperative agreement for this Pilot has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.